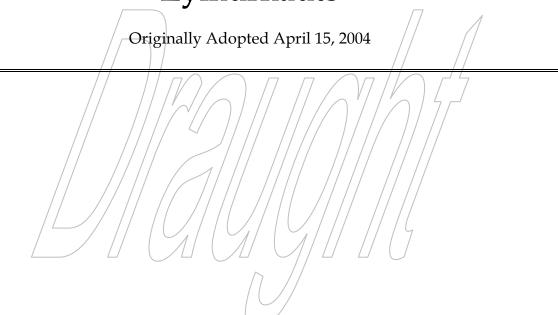
Constitution and Bylaws Of the Zymurnauts



Goddard Space Flight Center National Aeronautics and Space Administration Greenbelt, Maryland

Constitution

Article I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Zymurnauts.

Article II: Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be the education and mutual improvement of its members in the hobby of home brewing. No part of the net income of this group shall be used to the benefit of any of its members or any private individual except for providing instructional services and related supplies.

The Zymurnauts will be located at the Greenbelt facility of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Goddard Space Flight Center (NASA GSFC). This club is recognized by and operates within the bylaws of the Goddard Employees Welfare Association (GEWA), located at NASA GSFC, Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, Maryland, 20771.

Article III: Membership

Current and retired Civil Servant employees with their immediate families are eligible to become voting members of this organization.

Article IV: Officers and Trustees

The officers of this organization shall consist of a President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer. The officers shall serve without remuneration.

Article V: Officers Eligibility

The officers of this organization must be voting member of the club and must be either active or retired civil servants or on-site contractors at GSFC who are on the GSFC-LISTS directory. At least one of the officers must be a civil servant.

Article VI: Meetings

Stated meetings of the organization shall be at times that are determined by the officers. Currently, meetings are proposed to be 3 to 4 times per year as organized by the officers. Other meetings may be proposed and organized by members. The first meeting of the year shall be a general membership meeting for the purposes of conducting club business and electing officers.

Article VII: Amendments

<u>Section 1.</u> Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, this Constitution may be amended by two-thirds vote in a duly assembled meeting, a quorum being present, provided that notice of the proposed amendment has been given at the preceding meeting.

<u>Section 2.</u> No amendment of this Constitution that would require reorganization or dissolution shall be made except by a three-fourths vote in a duly assembled meeting, a quorum being present, and provided that written notice of the proposed amendment was duly mailed, thirty days prior to such meeting, to each member in good standing.



By-Laws

Article I: Membership, Dues, and Voting

<u>Section 1:</u> Club membership may consist of the following groups of employees and priority shall be given to each group in the order listed herein:

- 1. GSFC members as defined in Article III of the Constitution.
- 2. Other government agencies' employees stationed at GSFC and their immediate families
- 3. Contractors who work on-site or who have near-site assignments and their immediate families
- 4. Other contract, grant, or affiliated employees performing services for GSFC and their immediate families

<u>Section 2:</u> Guests are defined as those persons not satisfying the membership stated above. Guests are invited to participate at the request of a registered member on a one-time, repeating, or continuing basis, but shall have no vote in the establishment of club policy or decisions. Where club facilities are limited, guests shall not displace club members.

Section 3: Membership dues in this organization shall be composed of

A. Individual

\$5.00

B. Family

\$7.00

All members are required to pay yearly dues. Applications for membership shall be in written form only. Members not in good standing cannot participate in Club activities. All persons wishing to participate in club activities shall have paid their yearly dues. Membership dues shall be payable as specified above. Dues may be adjusted by the President to meet fluctuations in cost of instructional services and supplies. Any such increase must be voted on in a meeting as soon as possible after the increase has been proposed. The change must be approved or defeated by a majority vote.

<u>Section 3.</u> One quarter of the number of full members in good standing shall constitute a quorum. A quorum must be present at any meeting of the organization at which officers are elected or a vote is taken committing it to any proposal or action. Any member in good standings is eligible to vote.

<u>Section 4.</u> The Zymurnauts waives the GEWA liability insurance while engaged in activities off site.

Article II: Duties of the Officers

The duties of the President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be the efficient management of this organization. In general the duties of the officers shall be as follows:

President

- run meetings;
- form committees;
- submit announcements for meeting, classes, and committees

Vice-president

- maintain membership list,
- run meetings in the absence of the president including announcements,
- maintain a list of equipment available for loan to other members

Secretary

- take notes at meetings,
- | distribute newsletter

Treasurer

• handle all club financial transactions

Article III: Election of Officers

<u>Section 1.</u> The officers shall be elected by an open ballot. Office shall run from January to December. They shall serve until their successors have been installed. An officer must be elected by a majority of the votes, the two nominees, or more in the case of ties, who have the most votes will receive another ballot.

<u>Section 2.</u> The officers shall serve for one year; and should any office become vacant, a temporary appointment shall be made by the remaining officers for the rest of the term.

<u>Section 3.</u> Any active member's name may be placed on the ballot. An active member is any member who has participated in a club event during the previous year. Any member unwilling to serve if elected to one of the club offices or as another designated member shall specify his/her unwillingness at the election meeting or submit a written objection to the current president prior to the election meeting.

<u>Section 4.</u> A list of eligible members must be circulated one month prior to election of officers.

Article IV: Committees

Special Committees may be created and appointed by the President. All members of the organization are eligible for service on committees.

Article V: Meetings

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Article VI: Rules or Order and Parliamentary Authority

Section 1. The order of business shall be such as is required by the occasion.

Section 2. Robert's Rules of Order shall be the authority on all questions of procedure and parliamentary law not covered by these By-Laws.

Article VII: Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended by a majority/vote in a duly assembled meeting, a quorum being present, provided that notice of the proposed amendment has been given at the preceding meeting or distributed at least one week prior to the meeting.